## CAPT. ISRAEL MERRITT DEAD

WELL KNOWN SHIP RESCUER DIES AT AGE OF 82.

Proneer in Pontoon Method of Raising Sunken Vessels Long Service in Saving Crews in Perilous Places and of Restoring Ships That Were in Distress.

Capt. Israel J. Merta t. pr. sident of the Merritt & Chapman average and Wrecking Company, died on Veunesday night in a private hospital twelve hours after an operation for bladder trouble. He was 82 years old. His health had begun to fail six months ago, but he was able to be at his office at 17 Battery place off and on until within a few days of his death.

Capt. Merritt was one of the pioneers in the business of raising sunken ships and was the inventor of the pontoon method, upon which few improvements have been made since Capt. Merritt first put it to . the whole process employed in salving

Capt. Merritt was born in New York on August 23, 1829. His grandfather had fought in the Revolutionary war. Capt chiefly with that business.

Straits of Magelian. Israeld Merritt, Jr., his son, who had worked with his father from an early age, became a partner in the organization. In 1897 the Merritt wrecking organization was combined with the Chapman company, which made a specialty of derrick, lighterage and towing business. By the resulting combination Capt. Merritt was enabled to keep his force of men busy when their services as wreckers were not in demand. Capt. Merritt was twice married. The services as wreckers were not in demand. Capt. Merritt was twice married. The captain's home was at Whitestone, of which he was one of failing health. Mr. Berzer was married about the vest letry. He moved to Whitestone of which he was one of the carly settlers. He moved to Whitestone in 1859, when the transportation advantages were not what they are now. For many years he made a practice of rowing to and fro between Whitestone, of the first will be dealy was too strong around halters. When the eddy was too strong around halters when the eddy was too strong around halters. When the eddy was too strong around halters were held the rank of the was nearly settlers as the both of the capture of Booth, Lincoin's assassing to and fro between Whitestone, of the was one day at the Hotel Bossert in Brooklyn. The last term of the laws for which I am held and East Eighty-fourth street. Manhattan, morning and night in the summer. When the eddy was too strong around halters be only the eddy was too strong around halters be only the eddy was too strong around halters be only the color was a summer of the laws for which I am held the rank of the level and both the color of the was nearly profession in the billing scholoroms. At one of the schools of the school of the schools of the samply room about 3,500 women and take Sarance of the color of the sasembly room about 3,500 women and take Sarance of the color of the sasembly room about 3,500 women and take Sarance of the color of the sasembly room about 3,500 women

civil war Capt. Merritt took In the civil war Capt. Merritt took active charge of the fitting out of many expeditions in the matter of surf boats. Ac. and served under Assistant Secretary of the Navytfox in an advisory capacity because of his experience in coasting affairs. He was an active volunteer fireman and helped in the organization and equipment of the Second Fire Zonaves, of which Col. Burns was the economiater. For many years he was the rotemander. For many years he was the rotemand of fingine 17 in Goerck street. The panels of that engine are among the keepsakes in his home. He also was an enthusiastic yachtsman and was a mementhusiastic yachtsman and was a mem-ber of the Larchmont, the Knickerbocker and the Whitestone yacht clubs.

## Dr. Ellot Continues Comfortable.

BOSTON, Dec. 14. News from Dr. Charles W. Eliot continues reassuring. This morning his sen, the Rev. Samuel A. Eliot of Cambridge, received this cablegram: "Glad to advise patient more comfortable."

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Masculine Pen Name.

Loxpox, Dec. 14. Mrs. Arthur Stan-Merritt had a little schooling and then nard, who wrote under the pen name of Division of the Supreme Court. a job driving a canalboat while John Strange Winter, died here to-day still early in his teens. At the age of 15 at her home, York House, Hurlingham, he found himself a place with a wrecking. She had been confined to her bed for captain, and thereafter was connected the last five months because of an accident while stepping out of an elevator. When he was 20 years old Merritt was She slipped and fell on her elbow, in- tiorari proceedings because, as Commis- of five on paper some of the men who in command of a coasting schooner. Four juring her arm severely. The wound

and was first appointed a Bink Commis-goner by the late Gov. L. A Cooke. He was reappointed by Gov. Weeks.

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TESTIMONY IN MADISON SQ. A. C. CASE COMES OUT.

Athletic Commissioner O'Neil Tells the Court That Powers Swore He Had a Valid Lease of the Garden - Revocation of License Case Up in the Court.

Frank S. O'Neil, one of the two members of the State Athletic Commission filed a report in the Suprems Court yesterday in the proceedings brought by the Madison Square Athletic Club to have its boxing license restored in which he accuses Pat Powers promoter of the athletic event now being run off at the Garden, denominated a bicycle race, of threatening to have him arrested and using other means to intimidate him in his investigation of the status of the alleged Powers-Pollock lease of the

Garden for one year. use, in 1865. This method revolutionized JOHN STRANGE WINTER DEAD. formed a part of his reply to the writ of Woman Won Out as a Novelist Under a certiorari obtained by the Madison Square Athletic Club under which the commission's action in revoking the club's boxing license is to be reviewed by the Appellate

> While . 12 proceeding was directed against 1. Athletic Commission as a Conference to Promote Fusion Harmony whole the return to the writ showed that Major John J. Dixon, the other member,

at these free shows.

The shows thus far given were at Public Schools 147, 6 and 66 in Brooklyn. These schools are in charge of District Superintendent Stitt of the Board of Education. Mr. Stitt has resented any interference with the school shows on the part of the Fire Commissioner. The shows are in the evenings and the school shows are in the evenings and the school children are invited to come with their

The Commissioner said vesterday that he was in favor of these shows, provided there was no danger to the lives of the litti- ones and their mothers.

In the regulations sent to the City Superintendent the Fire Commissioner directed that the school janitor or other directed that the school janitor or other person able to send in an alarm in case of fire or panic be present at the shows. The number of persons in the assembly room should not exceed the ordinary seating capacity. No standees shall be allowed, all exits shall be kept unlocked during the show and red lights displayed over them. The moving picture booth must be railed off and a clear space kept about it. A fire extinguisher and a pail of sand must be kept on hand.

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WILLARD MAY WITHDRAW. TRIANGLE FIRE DOOR SHOWN

in Board of Aldermen. had declined to take any part in the cernew Board of Aldermen have a majority BLANCK MANSLAUGHTER TRIAL sioner O'Neil explained, he and Major expect to reorganize the board on a years later he was appointed agent for never healed and recently complications

the Board of Marine Underwriters, and set in.

Dixon "are not at harmony concerning the rights of the parties above mentioned." little dubious as to whether or not they

responsible in case of a disaster.

His inspectors, he said, had reported to him that the shows as conducted were a menace to the lives of the many children and women assembled in the big schoolrooms. At one of the schools in Brooklyn there were gathered in the assembly room about 3,000 women and children for the free show. Some of the and he asked the Mayor to direct the special Term which does not require a special Term which does not require a special Term which does not require a

informs me that in some sections of the city cans of ashes and garbage are continually being dumped upon the streets.
Will you be so good as to consult with
the Commissioner, ascertain the localities in which this occurs and then set a watch upon it and see that the abuse be brought to an end?

## Longshoreman Killed by Fall.

the laws, and he said he would cooperate work yesterday on the steamship Pilar with the city authorities in giving all de Larinaga at pier 33. Atlantic Dock with the city authorities in giving all de Larinaga at pier 33. Atlantic Dock necessary care to the safety of the children Basin, Brooklyn, fell thirty feet from the the bench: deck to the hold and was instantly killed.

SPECIAL NOTICES

### This Lotion Will Improve Complexions

Few women realize what a great aid to beauty a plain spurmax lotion is," writes Mrs. Mae Martyn, in the San Francisco Record. This is easily prepared energy dissolve 1 cunces spurmax in 1, pint hot water and add 2 teaspoonfuls glycerine. If witch-hazel is used it will dry quicker when

Employing this lotion instead of powder rids the skin of pimples, black heads and oiliness and gives a gentility and refinement to the complexion obtainable no other way. of exquisite texture, the spurmax lois invisible when on and does not

Although the fusion members of the CHARRED EXHIBIT AT HARRIS

Blackened Frame Set Up in Court Room Shot Bolt Not Admitted in Evidence

Company.

The list of ships which Capt, Merritt played the chief part in raising and of the crews he saved when the conditions were such that the life saving crews could not reach the vessels is long and contains many names of vessels well known in their time. Back in 1852 he got the ship Cornelius Grinnell off the beach at Squan Beach, N. J. in 1858 he rescued the crews of the brig Kong Thryme, which vessel had stuck on the Barnegat shoals in the middle of the winter. For this service has contained and the middle of the winter. For this service has contained and the contained and the contained and their time. Back in 1852 he got the ship contents of the crews he saved when the conditions were such that the life saving crews could not reach the vessels is long and contains many names of vessels well known in their time. Back in 1852 he got the ship contents are an evolutions of cavalry."

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women carried babies in their arms. Outside of the assembly room there were forcing the ordinance.

The Mayor wrote to Police Commission of the Commission o jury and one of the counsel in the case is This company has always felt that the The Mayor wrote to Police Commissioner The Street Cleaning Commissioner The Co from which he had not yet recovered, the public. In general we believe ou with He esked if a room couldn't be found in public telephone agents are satisfied with which the court, counsel, litigants and the rates of commission which we are paywitnesses could sit with some degree of ing, as we find no difficulty in increasing

The court sent an attendant out to secut around for a yacant court room, and Pasquale Campanella, 45 years old, of owing to the fact that the December term President street, Brooklyn, while at work yesterday on the steamship Pilar found one on the third floor. While the

This incident should be nobject lesson.

court house on this site. Their activity stirred up comment and when it appeared that the project was defeated the activity co-sed.

"Nothing is being done now by the members of the bar or the Bar Association to hasten the release of the judges and litigents from this post hole. Great good could to done if members of the bar were as affirmatively active in furthering the selection of a court house site as they were negatively active against one site. I cannot understand why the bar should be inactive now.

"Unless the lawyers are active we can expect nothing from that band of pro-

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the case was called Judge Leventritt told be remembered that they are a charge on the the court that he tried a case in the same business and anything that we pay out to room a week ago and contracted a cold handle the business is necessarily borne by the rates of commission which we are payomfort, because the case was likely to the number of public telephones at desirable locations at these rates.

#### CATHOLIC CLUB DINNER. Underwood. Wickersham. Job Hedges and Others to Speak.

The annual dinner of the Catholic Club will be held on Tuesday evening, Decem-This incident should be an object lesson.
I noticed at the time it was proposed to put a new court house on this site that preminent members of the bar and the speakers and the subjects of their addresses: "A Revision of the Tariff Downward." Oscar W. Underwood; "The Equality of Opportunity for All and Special ber 19. The following are to be the speakers and the subjects of their adcount house on this site. Their activity strive up comment and when it appeared that the project was defeated the activity of the Education of Common Sense and the Fathers," Job E. Hedges; "Socialism and its Danger of Sense and the Sense and the Fathers,"

expect nothing from that band of pro-creatinators over there in the City Hall that calls itself the Beard of Estimate. I have no criticism of their official acts except in this court house matter. Until they select a site we must suffer condi-tions as they are here. What happened to-day is disgraceful. man House belongs to the Kinney estate.

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my face sore, besides being so disfiguring that I shunned my friends. I tried facial cream balms and benzoine with no effect.

"One night I caked a friend what was good for pimples, and he advised me to try Cutieura Soap and Cutieura Ointment which I did. I would wash my face first with hot water and Cutieura Soap, and then put on some Cutieura Ointment, let stay on five minutes, and then wash my face again with the Cutieura Soap. It would draw the blackheads out as nice, and the pimples, oh say, it was one grand and the pimples, oh say, it was one grand relief to go among my friends and be jolly again. After using two cakes of Custeura Soap and two boxes of Custeura Continer: my face is as smooth as if there never habeen a pimple on it. I cannot speak too highly of the Cuticura Soap and Ontiment, and I hope others will profit by them as much as I have. I know they will after giving them just one trial." (Signed) Arthur L. Caswell, R. F. D. No. 2, Portsmouth, N. Ji., Mark.

May 6, 1911.

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